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**RESPONSE AFTER FINAL
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE REQUESTED
EXAMINING GROUP ART UNIT 2837**

PATENT

Customer No. 22,852

Attorney Docket No. 07303.0037-00000

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Michael BINNARD

Application No.: 09/925,531

Filed: August 10, 2001

For: STAGE ASSEMBLY AND
EXPOSURE APPARATUS
INCLUDING THE SAME

) Group Art Unit: 2837

) Examiner: M. Fletcher

) Confirmation No.: 4730

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

In reply to the Final Office Action mailed March 29, 2004, the period for reply having been extended two months by a Petition for Extension of Time and fee payment filed herewith, and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.116, Applicant proposes that this application be amended as follows:

Please amend the claims as indicated in the Amendments to the Claims section below.

The **Amendments to the Claims** section begins on page 2 of the Amendment After Final.

Remarks begin on page 10 of this Amendment After Final.